



## About the Ride With A Pro Program, *sponsored by Fairhill Saddlery*

Whether you're an English enthusiast, a Western devotee, a driving aficionado, or a connoisseur of multiple disciplines, there is an educational clinic – or two, or three – for you at Equine Affaire! Through the Ride with a Pro program, you can apply to participate in one or more clinic(s) with the clinician(s) of your choice. Anyone 12 years and older is welcome to apply. Each clinic costs \$105, which includes participation in the clinic, admission to Equine Affaire on the day of the clinic, twenty-four hours of stabling for your horse, and a free t-shirt. Applications are due by September 8, 2023.

## How It Works

Equine Affaire, Inc. will accept applications for a wide variety of sessions which will take place at the upcoming event on November 9-12, 2023. Descriptions of the clinics, along with requirements for the types of horses and riders/drivers/handlers sought, are outlined in the [Ride With A Pro Clinic Summary](#).

- **Applications collected by Equine Affaire** until the September 8 deadline.
- **Applications forwarded:** Equine Affaire will forward all applications to the respective clinicians or their designated representatives who will make the selections for each clinic.
- **Selected applicants notified:** Once the clinicians have returned their selections, selected applicants will be notified by email or phone. Applicants who are not selected will receive notification by email. *We kindly request your patience and ask that you refrain from emailing or calling to inquire on your selection status; you **WILL** be notified either way once we have received clinician selections.*
- **Stabling Forms and Invoices Issued:** Selected applicants will receive an email with stall reservation forms, liability forms, and an electronic invoice for payment by credit card. All forms and payment are due by October 20.
- **Arrival Materials Issued:** Once stabling forms and payment are received, arrival materials (including an initial admission ticket) will be emailed to each participant in late October.
- **Ride With A Pro!** Check in at the Barn Office upon arrival, settle into your stall, ride or participate in the clinic(s) for which you have been selected, and bring your horsemanship to the next level!

	September 8	October 9	October 13	October 20	October 30	November 9-12
Ride With A Pro Status	Applications Due	Selected participants notified (email)	Non-selected applicants notified (email)	Stall Reservation Forms and Payment Due	Arrival materials emailed	Check in on site and "Ride With A Pro"

## How to Apply

1. **Review** the **Ride With A Pro Terms and Conditions** and the [Ride With A Pro Clinic Summary](#). Identify the clinics for which you would like to apply.
2. **Prepare your application video** (Youtube or Vimeo video link)
3. Complete the **Ride With A Pro Application form**

## Ride With A Pro Terms & Conditions

- **Ability Levels:** Clinics are designed to cater to a broad spectrum of horsemen and women. While some clinicians are seeking equestrians with specific skills, others are seeking any riders interested in improving their general relationships with their horses. Each clinician has specific ideas about the horses and/or riders he/she would like to use to demonstrate a particular skill or training process. Do not hesitate to apply because you think that you might not be good enough. You might be just what the clinician has in mind! If you are not selected as a participant, we encourage you to come and learn by attending the clinic as a spectator. Everyone will benefit from the experience.
- **Clinic Fee:** A fee of \$105 is charged for each clinic. Each clinic fee includes admission to Equine Affaire on the day of the clinic(s) for the rider/handler, 24 hours of stabling (either the night before or the night of the clinic(s)) for the horse, and a free t-shirt. Clinic fees of accepted clinic participants are non-refundable. If selected for a clinic and applicant elects not to participate for any reason, clinic fee(s) will still be invoiced and collected.
- **Payment:** Credit cards (Visa, Mastercard, Discover) are accepted for payment of clinic fees. Selected participants will be invoiced electronically upon notification of selection. A 2% credit card convenience fee will be included.
- **Stabling:** Additional nights of stabling can be purchased for \$45/night. Complimentary nights of stabling are non-transferable. Participants are responsible for bringing or purchasing their own feed and bedding. (Straw and shavings may be purchased on site.)
- **Application Video:** To be considered to ride or drive in any of the clinics, you must submit a video with your completed application. This video must show you and your horse either in competition or in training as requested in the clinic descriptions. The clinician will use the video to evaluate you and your horse. All videos must be submitted as a link to a YouTube or Vimeo video. Videos should be brief (no more than five minutes) and titled with your name and horse name.
- **Number of Clinics:** You may apply to more than one clinic; however, if applying to multiple clinics please ensure clinic times do not overlap. You are welcome to apply with more than one horse, but please only apply with one horse per clinic. Please carefully review the clinic schedule and **only apply for clinics that you are able to commit to if selected for ALL to which you apply.**
- **Clinic Environment & Schooling:** The clinics at Equine Affaire offer a unique and invaluable opportunity to “ride with a pro.” However, you should be aware that the clinics will be conducted in large arenas where there are likely to be large crowds in attendance. Opportunities to warm up in the actual clinic arenas may not be available. If you and/or your horse cannot function well in such an environment, we cannot encourage you to apply.
- **Clinician Cancellation:** In the unlikely event that a clinician is unable to conduct his/her clinics as scheduled because of an unavoidable event (such as an illness, accident, flight cancellation, death in the family, etc.), Equine Affaire will make every effort to retain another clinician of similar caliber to conduct the clinics on the same topics as scheduled, and clinic riders will not be given any refund of clinic fees. If, for any reason, a suitable replacement cannot be retained and a clinic must be cancelled, clinic riders will be provided a refund of the fees they paid to participate in the cancelled clinic.
- **Health Papers:** All horses brought to the Eastern States Exposition are expected to be free of illness and infectious disease.
  - Any horse transported to the event must be accompanied by a negative test result for equine infectious anemia (Coggins Test) dated within one year of November 12, 2023.
  - Any horse transported to the event must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (health papers) issued within 30 days of the date on which the horse arrives at the event. The certificate must state that the equine does not originate from a quarantined area, or an area where a contagious or infectious disease has been officially diagnosed.
  - While not required, it is strongly recommended that all equines be vaccinated for rabies, tetanus, EEE/WEE, and Flu/Rhino within one year of the event.
  - Each horse owner/trainer is required to present the mandatory health papers to the show veterinarian upon check in.